A pediatric anesthesia team discusses their reasons for making the McGrath™ MAC video laryngoscope their first choice for intubation.
There’s no such thing as a straightforward pediatric intubation. That’s something the anesthetics team at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children (RHSC) in Edinburgh, Scotland knows all about.

“Children provide a lot of unique challenges,” says paediatric anesthetist Dr. Alistair Baxter. “They desaturate quickly. They’ve got smaller airways. They also provide a certain degree of psychological anxiety because it’s a child.”

Dr. Baxter and the team address many of those challenges with a single handheld device: the McGrath™ MAC video laryngoscope. Here they explain how it’s changed the way they do their jobs.

The McGrath™ MAC video laryngoscope lets RHSC clinicians...

**Focus on what matters most**

“One of the unique challenges to pediatric anesthesia is the range of patients that we see — we can be dealing with a tiny, tiny baby or an adolescent rugby player.”

— Neil Gibb

“By changing to [the McGrath™ MAC video laryngoscope], which allows you to see what’s going on — and allows other people in the room to see what’s going on — suddenly the pressure on that situation drops dramatically.”

— Dr. Alistair Baxter

With the McGrath™ MAC video laryngoscope, RHSC clinicians can be...

**Better prepared for the unexpected**

“You often don’t have much time to stabilize the airway, so you want to make sure that your first attempt at laryngoscopy and intubation is your only attempt.”

— Dr. Jillian McFadzean

“We find that the view is not only visually better, but it is also functionally better. That means that we can actually view our target and safely intubate it easier.”

— Dr. Omar Malik

“I’ve never yet come across an incident where we have had to move away from a McGrath™ MAC video laryngoscope and move on to a traditional handle.”

— Carol Clapperton
The McGrath™ MAC video laryngoscope is...

A system that’s within reach — for every intubation

"We now have McGrath™ MAC video laryngoscopes within every theatre and in all our emergency equipment."
— Dr. Omar Malik

"The McGrath™ MAC video laryngoscope, from our point of view, is a great piece of equipment. We can use it daily without having to have it sitting on a difficult-airway trolley and only used on difficult patients."
— Dr. Alistair Baxter

"I could count on the fingers of one hand the number of things that have brought something totally different to the table. [The McGrath™ MAC video laryngoscope] is a technology that we’ve embraced that has definitely enhanced practice."
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